

# Indiana State Historic Records Advisory Board

## Minutes – Thursday March 15, 2007

### Indiana State Library

#### I. Call To Order

Meeting Called to Order at 1:35 p.m. by State Coordinator Jim Corridan

#### II. Roll Call

Present: Tom Krasean, Steve McShane, Curt Witcher, Jim Corridan, Guests: Jeff Roeder, Deputy Director, ICPR

Absent: Sammie Morris, Nancy Schuckman, Phil Bantin

#### III. Approval of Agenda

Motion to adopt the agenda as presented. WITCHER - KRASEAN PASSES

#### IV. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting was proposed for mid-May, potentially at a DNR facility. This meeting time may be used for the 2007 planning retreat.

#### V. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the March 20, 2006 minutes were discussed. Motion to approve the minutes as presented. WITCHER - MCSHANE

#### VI. Old Business

The results from the SHRAB survey of records repositories throughout the state were distributed to the members. First discussed was the breakdown of reporting institutions. Jim Corridan highlighted higher learning facilities as being the only under reported group. County Clerk offices were noted as having been sent late and are still being turned in. Members commented on sizable amount of information and were wondering if data could be sorted in different ways to focus on particular groups.

#### VII. State Coordinator's Report

A. Jim Corridan presented a hard copy of the SHRAB report for the Governor to the board. He noted that the Governor had seen the report and was pleased with the work the Board was doing.

B. The group discussed the current status of the Society of Indiana Archivists and how the SHRAB can work with the group.

#### VIII. New Business

A. Review of Grant Applications.

No grants have been submitted to the Indiana SHRAB for consideration.

Members were presented with the National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) Administrative Project grant application to continue the SHRAB's work. Motion to accept the grant application as presented passes. KRASEAN - MCSHANE

C. NHPRC sub-grants

Jim Corridan announced that the Indiana Commission on Public Records is looking into potential grant opportunities offered by NHPRC. He asked the group for ideas about the SHRAB providing sub-grant money to scan naturalization records and county commissioner minutes throughout the state.

D. Public-Private Partnerships

The Board discussed potential public-private opportunities for preservation and availability of public records to Indiana's constituents. The group discussed the success of Genealogical Society of Utah in their endeavors to publish documents to the web. Jim Corridan mentioned that ICPR has been approached by Ancestry.com to work to publish and preserve documents. The group highlighted the potential benefits that are possible with these partnerships, but also raised the issue of document control and making the records free to access for State residents.

IX. Adjournment

The board adjourned at 2:45 p.m.